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TO: School District Superintendents

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FROM: Bruce Hayes

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DATE: May 20, 2013

SUBJECT: EPA Webinars

AVAILABLE TRAINING

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has put together a series of free webinars to address issues surrounding Healthier School Environments. Here is a summary of topics that will be offered:

May 21: Assessment and Team Building for Healthy School Environments

June 18: Indoor Air Quality

July 23: Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
August 20: Best Practices in Chemical Management

September 25: Cleaning and Maintenance

October 22: Energy Efficiency and Waste Reduction

November 19: Mold and Moisture Control

December 17: EPA's Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Program

Registration is available through the web site: http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/ecocomm.nsf/childrenshealth/sensible-steps-webinars. All presentations start at 1:00 p.m.

For more information or to offer comment, please contact Christopher Frye at at 303-312-6223 or <u>Frye.Christopher@epa.gov</u>.

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New Interactive Webinar Series Begins May 21st!

Sensible Steps to Healthier School Environments

In today's challenging financial climate, the ability to identify and take simple, affordable steps to protect the health of students and staff in our schools has never been more important.

This webinar series will outline sensible, **low- or no-cost steps** that school communities can take to create healthier environments in their buildings. Each webinar will feature school district personnel from across the country presenting their real-life examples and solutions.

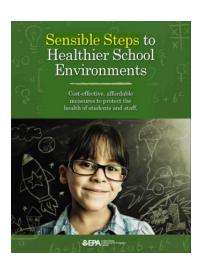
Designed to meet the needs of your entire school community!

Facility Managers School Nurses
Custodial Staff Teachers
District Administrators Support Staff

Principals School Board Members

And more!

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Webinar #1 - May 21, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

School Environmental Health Assessment and Team Building

- How to conduct a Sensible Steps Quick Assessment to complete a school environmental health "check up";
- Low- or no-cost steps other schools have taken to address common school environmental health issues;
- Strategies you can use to create awareness and build effective teams.



Webinar #2 – June 18, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

The Role of Indoor Air Quality in Creating Healthy Learning Environments

- Get new information about indoor air quality and related health issues in schools:
- Learn about cost-effective steps you can take to help ensure good ventilation, reduce airborne allergens, and prevent exposure to harmful indoor air pollutants.







Webinar #3 – July 23, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

Integrated Pest Management (IPM): Protecting Kids from Pests and Pesticides

- Learn the two most important features of an effective IPM program;
- Hear about cost-effective steps you can take to manage pests, reduce pesticide use, and enhance environmental health in and around your schools.



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Current Issues in Chemical Management: Best Practices for Schools and Districts

- Get up-to-date information about best chemical management practices;
- Learn more about how chemical management policies apply to art, science, and other chemicals commonly used in facility management;
- Discover how to reduce risks to students and staff.



Webinar #5 – September 25, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

Cleaning and Maintenance: Creating Healthier School Environments

- Get up to date on the most current developments in school cleaning;
- Learn about steps other schools have taken to assess and improve their cleaning and maintenance practices.



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Webinar #6 – October 22, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

Sensible Steps for Energy Efficiency and Waste Reduction in Schools

- Discuss Energy Star Portfolio Manager and its use in evaluating school energy efficiency;
- Discover solutions schools have used to improve their energy efficiency, reduce waste and realize operational savings.

Webinar #7 – November 19, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

Sensible Steps for Mold and Moisture Control in Schools

- Get current information about the health effects of mold;
- Learn ways to prevent moisture and condensation problems;
- Get the most up-to-date information about mold removal.

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Webinar #8 - December 17, 2013, 3:00 PM Eastern

Renovate Right: EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Rule

- Learn about the health effects of lead on children;
- Learn how the RRP Rule applies to K-12 schools;
- Discover ways that school and early learning professionals can protect their students from lead poisoning.

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You will receive a certificate of completion documenting your participation in each webinar.

For more information, check out the <u>Sensible Steps to Healthier School Environments</u> guide and EPA's Healthy School Environments webpage or call Gretchen Stewart at 206-553-0527.